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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in reference to Wal-Mart's application to charter an ILC (industrial loan company) in Utah. I am the President of Sicily Island State Bank in Sicily Island, Louisiana. We are a small Community Bank in Louisiana.

Wal-Mart has been responsible for closing our small town businesses. We do not want nor need a Wal-Mart Bank. Our Community Banks would be affected drastically. We ask that you do not approve the Wal-Mart application.

Thank you for your immediate attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Betty Peck Ware

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